

SENIOR NEWSLETTER JUNE 2015
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MONDAY – FRIDAY Hours: 9 AM to 2 PM
OUTREACH PAM HEALY 203 261-0289

Dear Friends,

Where did the month of May go? It seems like summer is going to come early so I like to remind everyone that if you haven't already, get your fans out, your AC units in, or better yet come to the ESC where it is nice and cool! I am in the planning stages of scheduling tours of some Assisted Living facilities in our area, Middlebrook Farms in Trumbull and Ridgefield Crossings in Ridgefield. Please call me and let me know if you're interested (dates have not been set yet). Lisa Alhabal from the Southwestern CT Agency on Aging (SWCAA) is coming on June 16th to talk about Medicare Savings Programs, the CT Homecare Program, the National Family Caregivers Support Program and the CT Respite Program. Some of you know Lisa from past presentations; she is very knowledgeable and has lots of great information! The *Bereavement Group* will take a hiatus over the summer but stay tuned for changes in the fall with regards to format and timing! It's always busy, but please call if you have a question I am happy to help in any way I can!

S.W.C.A.A PRESENTAION

On Tuesday, June 16th at 11:30 am Lisa Alhabal, Information Specialist and CHOICES counselor at SWCAA will be here to talk about four programs. **The Medicare Savings Program (MSP)** which helps with Medicare Part B costs as well as prescription drugs, the **National Family Caregivers Support Program** which helps caregivers caring for a loved one 60 years or older, the **CT Home Care Program** that provides in home services for people 65 or older, and the **CT State Wide Respite Program** which helps caregivers caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's or Dementia. *Please call to sign up 203-268-1137*

STATE TAX RELIEF PROGRAM

Qualifications for income for the **Elderly and Totally Disabled Tax Relief Program** applications are **Single \$34,600** and **Married \$42,200**. These levels are to be used for the 2014 Grand List Homeowner and Renter applications, 2015 Grand List Additional Veteran's applications and may also be used for any local option programs. You must provide your 2014 income along with Social Security Statement (1099) for 2014. Call the Assessor's Office for Applications and questions you might have at 203-268-6291.

Please, call Pam Healy to arrange a visit. She is a caring listener, and has valuable information about the social services programs and resources available to you. As your Easton Outreach Visitor, Pam is available to you with just a phone call 203-261-0289.

The Commission for the Aging meets Monday, June 1st, at 5pm at the ESC

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

